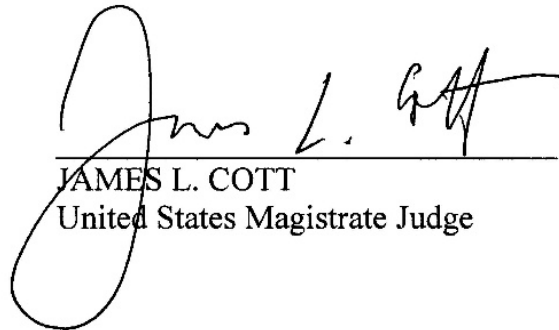


If the parties would like the Court's assistance with settlement, they should provide the Court with their availability for a settlement conference by filing a letter-motion on the docket that indicates at least three dates that are mutually convenient for the parties. Alternatively, counsel are free to e-mail my deputy clerk, David Tam, at David_Tam@nysd.uscourts.gov to find a mutually convenient date for the parties and the Court. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, any settlement conference in the foreseeable future will likely be conducted telephonically. Using the Court's conference line system, the Court will begin the settlement conference in joint session with all parties on the line before breaking into private session and speaking to the parties individually, as the technology the

Court is using can facilitate breakout sessions with each side. If the parties wish to provide a different platform for the settlement conference (such as Zoom, Skype, or the equivalent) and not simply proceed telephonically they may so advise the Court and the Court will then schedule a conference to discuss logistics.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 26, 2021
New York, New York



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James L. Cott", is written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the name "JAMES L. COTT" and the title "United States Magistrate Judge" are printed in a serif font.

JAMES L. COTT
United States Magistrate Judge